

11. A printing device for making a print of a digital image comprising:

5 a first receiver that receives from an external device an order including a digital image data and information indicative of a location where the digital image data is stored;

an encrypting unit for encrypting the information;
a printer that makes the print of the digital image data;

10 an adder that adds the encrypted information to the print;

a deliverer that delivers the ordered print;
a second receiver that receives a query with the encrypted information added to the delivered print;

15 a decrypting unit that decrypts the encrypted information in the query; and

a transmitter transmits to the external device the decrypted information, whereby

20 a further order from the external device through the first receiver is facilitated.

12. A computer of a customer for making an order a print of a digital image data comprising:

a storage for storing the digital image data;
an first output for transmitting to an external device
25 an order including the digital image data and an information indicative of a location of the digital image data in the storage.

13. A computer in accordance with claim 12 further comprising:

30 an encrypting unit for encrypting the information;
and

a second output for transmitting to the external device the encrypted information.

14. A method of managing digital data comprising:

35 a first step of storing a digital data at a location of a first database;

a second step of recording in a second database a

change in the location of the digital data in the first data base;

a third step of designating the location of the digital data in the first database;

5 a fourth step of consulting the second data base in response to the third step for knowing the current location of the digital data in the first database; and

a fifth step of locating the digital data in the first data base in response to the fourth step.

10 15. A method according to claim 14 further comprising:

a sixth step of trying to locate the digital data in the first database in response to the third step; and

a seventh step of making the fourth and fifth steps effective when the sixth step fails to locate the digital data because of the change in the location in the first database, wherein the fourth and fifth steps are made ineffective when the sixth step is successful on the other hand.

15 20 16. A method for managing digital data in accordance with claim 15, wherein the digital data is digital image data.

17. A computer readable recording medium for storing a program for managing digital data to be used in a computer, the program comprising:

25 a first step of storing a digital data at a location of a first database;

a second step of recording in a second database a change in the location of the digital data in the first data base;

30 a third step of designating the location of the digital data in the first database;

a fourth step of consulting the second data base in response to the third step for knowing the current location of the digital data in the first database;

35 a fifth step of locating the digital data in the first data base in response to the fourth step.

a sixth step of trying to locate the digital data in

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the first database in response to the third step; and

a seventh step of making the fourth and fifth steps effective when the sixth step fails to locate the digital data because of the change in the location in the first

5 database, wherein the fourth and fifth steps are made ineffective when the sixth step is successful on the other hand.